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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: XQ, SV, NO, TGEN
SUBJECT: SHELIVING OF NANSEN DRIFT STATION

REF: STATE 097522

1. AMBASSADOR, IN AN APRIL 21 CONVERSATION WITH FONMIN
FRYDENLUND AND MFA POLAR AFFAIRS ADVISOR BUCHER-JOHANNESSEN
DISCUSSED THE SHELIVING OF THE NANSEN DRIFT STATION PROJECT
PER REFTTEL.

2. FRYDENLUND, ALTHOUGH CLEARLY DISAPPOINTED, SAID THAT HE
COULD NOT BE CRITICAL OF THE US ON THIS MATTER, HE SAID
THAT HE WAS PLEASED THAT THERE WERE TO BE FOUR AMERICAN PROJECTS
ON SVALBARD THIS SUMMER. (HE CITED THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN,
LAMONT INSTITUTE, UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA AND LSU EXPEDITIONS).
FRYDENLUND SAID THAT THE IMPORTANT THING WAS THE STANDING
ASSURANCE WHICH NORWAY HAS OF US SUPPORT FOR ITS ROLE ON
SVALBARD; THE DROPPING OF THE NANSEN DRIFT PROJECT WAS, HE SAID,
OF FAR LESSER IMPORTANCE.

3. FRYDENLUND SAID THAT IT WOULD NOT BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE
GON, IN VIEW OF ITS SVALBARD ROLE, TO MAKE AN ANNOUNCEMENT
OF SHELIVING OF A PROJECT BY ONE TREATY SIGNATORY. THE
GON, HE SAID, WOULD MERELY TAKE NOTE OF THE US DECISION.
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4. THE MINISTER SUGGESTED THAT AN ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE
FOUR 1978 SUMMER PROJECTS, MADE BY THE NORWEGIAN POLAR
INSTITUTE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE EMBASSY AND/OR THE NSF
WOULD MAKE A SUBSEQUENT ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE NANSEN PROJECT'S
SHELIVING MORE PALATABLE IN OSLO. THE AMBASSADOR AGREED TO
WITHHOLD ANY ANNOUNCEMENT ON THE NANSEN PROJECT UNTIL THE

OTHER PROJECTS HAD BEEN ANNOUNCED.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: DEPARTMENT'S CONFIRMATION OF THE
FOUR PROJECTS CITED PARA 2 AND RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING
NSF AND/OR EMBASSY ANNOUNCEMENT OF THOSE PROJECTS.
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